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## TERRITORIAL POPULISTS.

**First of the Year's Conventions.**

**Delegates to the National Convention Elected.**

**Bucky O'Neill Declared the Logical Candidate of the Party in Arizona.**

The Populists of the territory in session for the past two days at the city hall, adjourned yesterday afternoon and today will scatter for their homes. There was a creditable amount of enthusiasm, and, of course, the usual amount of oratory, without which it would not have been a Populist gathering. Due justice was done to nearly all the ills to which human flesh is heir, and a remedy assured through medium of the Pops, and their medicine.

The committee on credentials reported the names of about sixty delegates as entitled to seats and then the temporary organization was made permanent. It was: Chairman, H. E. Barnes; secretary, H. W. Nash.

A letter was read from Wm. O. O'Neill, now in New York, assuring the convention of his undying fealty to the cause.

The committee on resolutions submitted a brief statement of principles comprising the following: Endorse that grand new declaration of independence, the Omaha platform; demands the immediate remonetization of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, without the consent of foreign nations; denounces the borrowing of money on interest-bearing bonds as an attempt of the money barons to wickedly enslave the people and to deprive them of their sacred right and privilege to coin and issue their own money; favors the system of direct legislation by the people known as the initiative of representation whereby they can promptly enforce the passage of those laws they desire; invites the co-operation of all Lincoln Republicans and Jeffersonian Democrats, of all who favor the free coinage of silver which can be quickly attained by a union of all parties favorable thereto and willing to place principles before mere party name, and of all who demand America for Americans, our own financial system, a free country and a free people; in favor of government aid in development of irrigation facilities and regulation of water service canals.

The following named were chosen to

represent Arizona at the National convention: John Q. White, Phoenix; G. M. Porter, Bisbee; Kean St. Charles, Kingman; Wm. O. O'Neill, Prescott. Alternates chosen were John M. Crawford, J. M. McCullom, Safford; Dr. Noon, Pima; Judge Geo. W. Woy, Mesa.

The following named were chosen to take charge of the work of the campaign: Chairman, Judge J. M. Reno; secretary, J. A. Gardner; treasurer, John Q. White. It was agreed that the nomination for delegate to congress be left to a subsequent convention, to be held about the first week of July, but J. Q. White, who stated that the enemy felt an interest in the matter, moved that it be expressed as the sense of this conference that Bucky O'Neill be considered the logical candidate of the party for the office of delegate to congress. The resolution went through unanimously.

Thanks were extended to the citizens of Phoenix for hospitality received, and the convention adjourned with three rousing cheers for the party and Bucky O'Neill.

### NO POLITICAL AMBITION.

Mr. Debs Waives All the Allurements of Office.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 22.—Eugene V. Debs, president of the A. R. U., was asked today regarding the dispatch from South Bend, Ind., stating he had accepted the Populist nomination for governor of Indiana.

Mr. Debs said that some of his friends are anxious for him to be a candidate, but that he has refused. He declares he has no taste for politics and no ambition in that direction.

### TRIED TO KILL HER.

A Los Angeles Contractor Fires Two Shots at His Wife.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 22.—N. B. Foster, a contractor, attempted to kill his wife this morning. He fired twice at her with a revolver. The first shot passed through her hand, which she had raised to prevent his shooting. The plucky woman grabbed the revolver and the second shot took off the forefinger of the left hand of her husband.

### HYMENEAL HARRISON.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 22.—General Benjamin Harrison left today for New York. It is understood this will be his last trip to New York until next April when he and Mrs. Dimmick will be married.

### THE SILVER MARKET.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22.—Silver bars, 67%; Mexican dollars, 54% @ 54%.

## ENDED IN A WHIRL OF RARE ENJOYMENT.

**Mardi Gras Closes the Phoenix Carnival Season.**

**King Misrule Lorded the Night.**

**Thousands of Maskers Marched in Parade.**

**Wild West Sports at the Park in the Afternoon—Impending Departure of the Multitude.**

The carnival is over.

The last merry masquerader has disappeared, the electric archways are dark, and the very decorations, as though conscious that their usefulness had gone, are flapping solemnly in a breeze that brings a breath of moisture, delayed lest it dampen the enthusiasm.

But it has been a success, this carnival—a great success from start to finish, without a feature that might be considered obnoxious and with many a feature unique and enjoyable. And among them all the closing scenes were the best.

During the day there was the usual run of sports. The cowboys came charging down the street, and with whoop and hallo, with whirling riata and cowboy tricks, and in the afternoon they performed at the park before pleased thousands. But the closing scenes were the best.

At 7:30 the combined bands marched down the street, their pathway illuminated by red fire in reckless quantity. Following came the subjects of the King of Misrule. There were a thousand of them at least. They fairly swarmed down the streets. Clad were they in every conceivable costume. The stock of masks and of grinning false faces must have been a large one with the dealers to have withstood the demand. The spirit of levity and of freedom from care seemed to rest upon maskers and public and jolly were the sightseers as well as the seen.

There were many neat makeups to be picked out of the throng. There was the new woman as a tramp and her attendant, Weary Wraggles; there were Chinese, Arabs from the desert, Spanish bull fighters, the neatest of Parisian dancers, clowns without number, on foot and on burro back, a few Uncle Sams, the Heavenly Twins, (robust ones) fat men and women, harlequins, as well as sweet Columbine, fisher folk, soldiers and quaint conceits without number.

For hours the human currents, bright colored and very much alive, eddied through the streets, even down to Chinatown, where an ear-splitting din of firecrackers was kept up till assuredly every ounce of ammunition had been used.

Later the merry-makers boarded the overloaded cars and trooped to the park where the official ball was in progress. It lasted till after 1 and was a scene of brilliancy and mirth never before seen in Arizona. But the jam was something terrific. There were two other masque balls as well. One was at Gardiner's hall; the other at Ford's academy in the Redewill block.

The police, despite the confusion, had an easy time and few were the reports of mischief, recklessness or crime.

Today will leave the majority of the visitors, and the city will by tomorrow be dismantled of its colors of fiesta. The regular soldiers, to whom and their officers all praise and appreciation, leave at 9 by special train for Whipple, and the outgoing regular trains of both roads will be loaded to the platforms.

But from all come expressions of satisfaction. Far more than was anticipated have the promises of the management been carried out and in a manner that receives naught but praise. To Director-General Hatch is given the laurels of a very victor over difficulties, of a worker who has directed his forces to a successful consummation. The programme was ambitious, but the realization was even better.

The people of Phoenix joined well into the spirit of the time and showed adaptability that augurs well for the success of all future entertainments of this kind. To those within our gates last night was repeated the invitation to join with us once more in '97, and till then was extended all wishes of prosperity and happiness. Arizona's hospitality has been

shown, the people of the west have been entertained, the resources of Arizona's capital city have been tested and proven. The curtain is down, again to be rung up in '97.

### THE COWBOY SPORTS.

Geo. Sears Captures the Prize for Steer Tying.

The park was crowded with several thousand people yesterday afternoon to witness the cowboys' sports. The grand stand was jammed and thousands lined the fence and crowded into the inclosure. Dr. Carver was the attraction at 2 o'clock and his really wonderful shooting excited the admiration of all.

The principal event, however, was the steer tying contest, which was watched with great interest by strangers, although a familiar sight to all Arizonans. It was a thrilling sight and tinged with a spice of danger. No accidents happened to mar the sport, although three men were unhorsed during the performance. The steers were wild animals, but were quickly thrown and tied by the expert cowmen. The quickest time made was by Geo. Sears, who threw his steer and had him tied in 45% seconds. The other entrants and their time was as follows:

A. C. Young, 1:35; Jeff Morrell, 2:18; Harvey Morris, Hayden Juste, Geo. Felton, 2:13; Logan Morris, 1:12; Austin Felton, 2:43%; Gower Todeb, 1:10 4-5; Lin Orme, 1:32; Jim Collins, 1:42 1-5; George Babcock, 1:31 4-5; L. D. Adams, 1:14%; Dick Bennett, 1:45 4-5; Joe Tilwell, 2:15; Will Steele and J. Bassett.

Although some very good time was made, Sears captured the prize.

### GOOD GOVERNMENT.

Deliberations of Citizens Interested in the Local Movement.

Pursuant to adjournment of a meeting several months ago of the citizens interested in the local government movement met yesterday morning at the office of J. M. Creighton, in the Irvine block. A. V. Quinn was elected chairman and J. M. Burnett secretary.

Extended discussion was had over the purposes of the proposed organization which, it was agreed, must not be considered in the light of a political organization, though its policy will be to advocate at the fall convention none but the staunchest of citizens for office, paying especial attention to the office of supervisor.

By vote an organization meeting of taxpayers and citizens interested in the movement was called for 2 p. m. Saturday, February 24, and to take charge of arrangements for the meeting and such other business as may develop in connection with the movement in the meantime, was chosen a committee consisting of J. Y. T. Smith, Emory Kays, J. B. Mullen, J. M. Creighton and Simon Novinger.

### BICYCLE CLASSES.

Text of the New Order of the National L. A. W. Assembly.

By bulletin No. 2 of the racing board of the L. A. W. Casey Castleman of Los Angeles has been transferred to the professional class. The text of the late order changing the designation of several classes of riders is as follows:

"By recent action of the National assembly, L. A. W., class B has been abolished and all riders of that class restored to their previous condition as amateurs. To avail themselves of such general reinstatement riders in the employ of manufacturers for racing purposes must at once terminate such employment. The acts that have heretofore caused the transfer of riders to class B will in future constitute them professionals. Amateurs may continue to ride at any distance from their homes within the boundaries of their respective states."

### A TRAIN WRECKED.

Switchman's Carelessness Causes a Disaster.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 22.—A wreck occurred this morning on the Southern Pacific road at Naud Junction near the Kuhrt street bridge. The switchman threw the switch too soon and the Riverside local, carrying a large crowd of Masons and others to the city of Los Angeles, was nearly derailed. The last car was thrown in the switch and crashed into a freight engine, ripping the side completely out. The fireman of the switch engine was injured about the head and an unknown colored man had both legs cut off. The passengers were all severely shaken.

### THE S. P. OF KENTUCKY.

FRANKFORT, Feb. 22.—Senator Gobel called up the repeal bill to the Southern Pacific company in the senate before adjournment this morning and had the measure made special order for Tuesday evening, when it will be taken up and discussed from day to day until disposed of.

### A STATESMAN DEAD.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Feb. 22.—Ex-Governor Robinson died at 4:30 p. m.

## SULLIVAN IN PHOENIX.

**John L. and Ryan Visit Arizona.**

**They Speak Concerning the Big Mill.**

**Appear in a Boxing Bout at the Opera House Last Night.**

The opera house was jammed last night, the crowd brought mainly to see the great ex-champion, John L. Sullivan, box a round with Paddy Ryan. The bill for the evening was "The Wicklow Postman," a rollicking sort of Irish drama, lacking, however, in the usual quantity of shillelahs and British redcoats. The audience was especially enthusiastic over the production.

A generous burst of applause greeted the pugilists as they stepped upon the stage at the end of the theatrical performance. There was a regular prize ring bout of three rounds, but the element of excitement was lacking and the blows exchanged were feather-like and scarcely indicative of the mighty force and wondrous science that once lay in the two.

Sullivan has aged much in the last few years and has taken on far more fat than appertains to the frame of most athletes.

He weighs 265 pounds, which for a man of his height, 5ft. 10 1/2 in., is surely excessive. Ryan, who is 6ft. 1in., weighs 235 pounds. They were seen yesterday by a Republican reporter at the Lemon hotel. "The big fellow" is yet suffering from bruises on the head received by his fall from a train in Illinois a few days ago. He came south to see the prize mill, somewhat in the guise of a reporter, but could not stop. Parson Davies was left behind. He saw the fight and will meet the company at Los Angeles and tell the fellows all about it.

Concerning the fight Sullivan said he knew too little to give an intelligent opinion, but expressed the belief that Maher's failure had settled that worthy's chance forever. He was not surprised at the sudden termination of the mill.

Ryan believes that Maher's policy must have been to force the fight from the start. "I said only the day before," said he, "that it was only a question as to who got in the first blow. I was right. Fitz might have been expected to win. He is a very clever man with his fists and has had vastly more experience in the ring than his opponent. Then, too, Maher was in no such fighting trim as was Fitzsimmons."

The company leaves this evening for Los Angeles, where a short stand will be made, thence working north to San Francisco, that paradise of pugilists.

### WILL NOT FIGHT.

Fitzsimmons Despises the Challenge of Corbett.

EL PASO, Feb. 22.—An Associated Press representative had a talk with Fitzsimmons about Corbett's challenge on the way in from the battleground this morning.

Fitz said: "I shall completely ignore that fellow Corbett. It was a thousand dollars American money to one cent Mexican coin that Pomp Jim would get on his ear just as he has. I shall use the same argument once employed by Charley Mitchell, 'tell him to get a reputation.' Let him whip Peter Maher and Joe Choynski before he opens his head to me. Both men want to fight him and I think either one of them can lick him. This much I shall insist upon. He must first win from Maher and Choynski before he gets into the ring with me."

"I whipped with ease the man Corbett presented the championship belt to in order to escape a match with me. To show Corbett what little weight his championship present carried I formally, through the Associated Press renounced all claims to the belt and refused to accept it. I am going to Madison Square Garden for the night of February 29 with a half a dozen contracts I made conditionally on winning from Maher and then with Julian, Strenser, Roeber and my family I will sail for England."

### HE IS A COWARD.

How Corbett Sums Up Mr. Fitzsimmons.

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—Corbett when shown the Associated Press dispatch announcing Fitzsimmons' refusal to fight him, simply said: "He is a big coward. I will leave it to the public to judge whether I am correct or not. I predicted that he would not make a match with me if he won the fight with Maher, but if he goes to England he will find me in England after him. He said after his fight with Maher he would fight any man in the world. He is now getting out of the country as fast as possible bag and baggage."